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Subject: RE: Dimock questions

Thanks for your responses-

Have a good weekend
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Noah -- Sorry for the delay...

1. Why did the EPA release this information now instead of waiting until all the results were back? EPA is presenting final results to residents as soon as we complete a quality assurance review of the results. When we announced our decision to sample we made a commitment to sharing results with the residents in an expeditious manner.
2. Do you plan to continue to release results in batches? EPA is planning to release sampling results to the home owners on a weekly basis in the order in which the homes were sampled. Our sampling effort began the week of January 23rd and continued for three and half weeks through February 15th. At this time we are providing results on the 11 wells sampled during the week of January 23rd.
3. When might we expect the next set of results? (See question above)
4. Is there any indication that the methane in some water supplies is from oil and gas operations? EPA has not done any detailed review to determine the cause. Our focus is first and foremost on the drinking water quality of residents.
5. Did any of these wells have background sample data from before the start of drilling? There was limited background sampling data for some of the wells.

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Hi-
I left a message to follow up on the Dimock announcement and thought I would pass along the questions I was looking to answer-

1. Why did the EPA release this information now instead of waiting until all the results were back?
2. Do you plan to continue to release results in batches?
3. When might we expect the next set of results?
4. Is there any indication that the methane in some water supplies is from oil and gas operations?
5. Did any of these wells have background sample data from before the start of drilling?

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